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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 22, 2001, please reconsider the final rejection in view of the following remarks.

Remarks

The Office Action dated March 22, 2001, indicated that claims 1-12 and 19 stand rejected under §112, first paragraph as not being enabled by the specification and that claims 1, 8 11 and 19 stand rejected under §112, second paragraph as being indefinite. In addition, claims 1, 3, 5, 7 and 9-12 stand rejected under §103(a) as being unpatentable over *Iizuka* (U.S. Patent No. 4,999,671) in view of *Sussman et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 5,664,926); claims 2 and 8 stand rejected under §103(a) as being unpatentable over *Iizuka* and *Sussman et al.* and further in view of *Umatate et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 5,243,377); and claims 4 and 6 stand rejected under §103(a) as being unpatentable over *Iizuka* and *Sussman et al.* and further in view of *Rosenquist* (U.S. Patent No. 6,082,949). Favorable reconsideration of this application is requested in view of the following remarks.